

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
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Takanori MATSUO et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 1644
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Application No.: 10/534,486	)	Examiner: Gerald R. EWOLDT
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Filed: May 11, 2005	)	
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For: PROPHYLACTIC OR	)	Confirmation No.: 7810
THERAPEUTIC SUBSTANCE	)	
FOR DIABETES OR A RENAL	)	
DISEASE ASSOCIATED WITH	)	
TSC-22 AND SCREENING	)	
METHOD THEREOF	)	

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

In reply to the Office Action mailed May 5, 2008, the period for response having been extended to November 5, 2008, by a request for extension of three months and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** follow the amendment sections of this paper.

**Attachments** include:

Sugawara et al., "Human TSC-22 Gene: No Association with Type 2 Diabetes,"

*Internal Medicine* 40:993-997, October 2001